Increasing the share of renewable energy

387. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the share of renewable energy from 3 per cent to 20 per cent in the next five years; and

(b) if so, what are the plants for this project and its funding source?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources has formulated a Draft Renewable Energy Policy Statement. The draft Policy Statement envisages increase of the non-conventional energy share in the additional installed capacity to 10%, or 10,000 MW, by 2012.

The objective is to enhance the contribution of renewables viz. solar, wind, biomass and small hydro for grid quality power generation and supply. Funds are likely to come from budgetary allocations, private investments, financing by financial institutions and banks, and international financing mechanisms.

Power projects in the Eastern States

388. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Power Projects executed in the Eastern States during the last three years;

(b) the cost and the capacity of each of these Power Projects;

(c) by when these Power Projects are likely to start commercial production; and

(d) the other details thereof?